

## 51627 to 51658—Continued.

"This grass has long been introduced in the Southern States, where it is widely distributed. It is a valuable grass for pasturage, particularly on rich land, and not infrequently is cut for hay. It goes very commonly under the name of Dallis grass, but is sometimes called water grass and not infrequently simply *paspalum*. The grass is a native of Argentina, but is now extensively cultivated in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and in general throughout the Tropics." (*Piper.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 35068.

51647. *PENNISETUM* sp. Poaceæ. Grass.

"(No. 1001. Uaso Nyiro River, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 12, 1920.) A desert grass which grows just on the desert side of the Themedra grassland."

51648. *PENNISETUM* *CILIARE* (L.) Link. Poaceæ. Grass.

"(No. 1023. Uaso Nyiro River, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 15, 1920.) A promising grass for desert regions, in which it is quite abundant."

51649. *PHASEOLUS* *VULGARIS* L. Fabaceæ. Common bean.

"(No. 1129. Nairobi, Ukamba Province, Kenia. June 24, 1920.) The 'rose-coco' bean, produced in four months at the farm at Kabete."

51650. *PHASEOLUS* sp. Fabaceæ.

"(No. 1008. Meru, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 12, 1920.) A small-seeded small vine near the Uaso Nyiro River."

51651. *RICINUS* *COMMUNIS* L. Euphorbiaceæ. Castor-bean.

"(No. 1119. Nairobi, Ukamba Province, Kenia. June 24, 1920.) Castor-beans from the experimental station at Kibos."

51652. *SPOROBOLUS* sp. Poaceæ. Grass.

"(No. 1025. Uaso Nyiro River, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 15, 1920.) A fine pasture grass."

51653. *VERNONIA* sp. Asteraceæ.

"(No. 1057. En route from Meru to Embu, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 16, 1920.) Very ornamental because of its unusually large flowers."

51654. (Undetermined.)

"(No. 1016. Meru, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 16, 1920.) A vine, abundant here, which may be a morning-glory."

51655. (Undetermined.)

"(No. 1017. Lasamis, Nyanza Province, Kenia. June 30, 1920.) A shrub with thick oval leaves and flowers resembling those of the passion flower, with many white stamens. The ripe fruit is reddish or yellowish and filled with seeds. It is eaten in the same manner as chilies and much prized. It has a sharp peppery smell and a sharp pleasant taste and would probably be very useful in making highly seasoned dishes, such as chowchow."

51656. (Undetermined.)

"(No. 1054. En route from Meru to Embu, Kenia Province, Kenia. June 16, 1920. An ampelopsislike vine with a brick-red grapelike single-seeded fruit and rather fleshy leaves. It is common throughout central Africa."

51657. (Undetermined.)

"(No. 1107. Lasamis, Nyanza Province, Kenia. June 13, 1920.) A small evergreen tree found along dry river beds. It looks like a *Buxus* and is called 'wild coffee.'"

51658. *PENTZIA* *INCANA* (Thunb.) Kuntze. Asteraceæ. Karroo bush.

"(No. 1134. Nairobi, Ukamba Province, Kenia. June 25, 1920.) The *karroo* bush does well here, although the climate is cool and comparatively damp. This indicates that the *karroo* bush might do well in both desert and humid regions."